included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

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IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Publication of Inflation Adjustment Factor, Nonconventional Source Fuel Credit, and Reference Price for Calendar Year 2001

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Publication of the inflation adjustment factor, nonconventional source fuel credit, and reference price for calendar year 2001 as required by section 29 of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. section 29). The inflation adjustment factor, nonconventional source fuel credit, and reference price are used in determining the tax credit allowable on the sale of fuel from nonconventional sources under section 29 during calendar year 2001.

DATES: The 2001 inflation adjustment factor, nonconventional source fuel credit, and reference price apply to qualified fuels sold during calendar year 2001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Inflation Adjustment Factor: The inflation adjustment factor for calendar year 2001 is 2.0917.

Credit: The nonconventional source fuel credit for calendar year 2001 is

\$6.28 per barrel-of-oil equivalent of qualified fuels.

Reference Price: The reference price for calendar year 2001 is \$21.86. Because this reference price does not exceed \$23.50 multiplied by the inflation adjustment factor, the phaseout of credit provided for in section 29(b)(1) does not occur for any qualified fuels sold during calendar year 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions about how the inflation adjustment factor is calculated—

Thomas A. Thompson, N:ADC:R:R:SMB, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, Telephone Number (202) 874–0585 (not a toll-free number).

For all other questions about the credit or the reference price—

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